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widows in indigent circumstances under such regulations and limitations as may be deemed by the Legislature as expedient; provided that the provisions of this Section shall not be construed so as to prevent the grant of aid in cases of public calamity."

Sec. 3. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1968, at which election all ballots shall have printed on them the following:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment continuously reducing State ad valorem property taxes and abolishing all State ad valorem property taxes after December 31, 1978, except the tax levied by Article VII, Section 17, for certain institutions of higher learning.

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment continuously reducing State ad valorem property taxes and abolishing all State ad valorem property taxes after December 31, 1978, except the tax levied by Article VII, Section 17, for certain institutions of higher learning.

Sec. 4. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for the election, and this Amendment shall be published in the manner and for the length of time as required by the Constitution and laws of this state. The publication of this Amendment shall be limited to the publication of Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this Resolution only.

Passed by the Senate on May 2, 1967: Yeas 21, Nays 8; May 19, 1967, Senate concurred in House amendments: Yeas 21, Nays 7; adopted by the House on May 18, 1967, with amendments: Yeas 102, Nays 34.

Signed by the Governor May 27, 1967.

## PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—DALLAS COUNTY—BONDS

S. J. R. No. 37

Proposing an amendment to Article III, Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding a new Section 52e to give Dallas County the power to issue bonds under Article III, Section 52 of the Constitution for the construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, upon a vote of a majority of the resident property taxpayers voting thereon who are qualified electors of said county, and to provide that bonds heretofore or hereafter issued under Subsections (a) and (b) of said Section 52 shall not be included in determining the debt limit prescribed in said Section, and fixing the date for the election on the adoption of said amendment.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article III, Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended by adding a new Section 52e to read as follows:

"Section 52e. Bonds to be issued by Dallas County under Section 52 of Article III of this Constitution for the construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes, or in aid thereof, may, without the necessity of further or amendatory legislation, be issued upon a vote of a majority of the resident property taxpayers voting thereon who are qualified electors of said county, and honds heretofore or hereafter issued under Subsections (a) and (b) of said Section 52 shall not be included in determining the debt limit prescribed in said Section."

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on the

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first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1968, at which election all ballots shall have printed on them the following:

"For the amendment of Article III of the Constitution to provide that Dallas County may issue road bonds under Section 52 of Article III upon a vote of a majority of the resident property taxpayers voting thereon who are qualified electors of said county, and to provide that bonds heretofore or hereafter issued under Subsections (a) and (b) of said Section 52 shall not be included in determining the debt limit prescribed in said Section."

"Against the amendment of Article III of the Constitution to provide that Dallas County may issue road bonds under Section 52 of Article III upon a vote of a majority of the resident property tax-payers voting thereon who are qualified electors of said county, and to provide that bonds heretofore or hereafter issued under Subsections (a) and (b) of said Section 52 shall not be included in determining the debt limit prescribed in said Section."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for the election and this amendment shall be published in the manner and for the length of time that is required by the Constitution and laws of the state. The publication of this Amendment shall be limited to the publication of Sections 1 and 2 of this Resolution only.

Passed by the Senate on April 11, 1967: Yeas 29, Nays 0; May 17, 1967, Senate concurred in House amendment: Yeas 28, Nays 2; adopted by the House on May 17, 1967, with amendment: Yeas 136, Nays 4. Signed by the Governor June 18, 1967.

## PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—STATE EMPLOYEES—RETIREMENT SYSTEM

S. J. R. No. 39

Proposing an amendment to Subsection (a) of Section 62, Article XVI of the Constitution of Texas, relating to establishment of a retirement, disability and death compensation fund for officers and employees of the state, so as to create as an agency of the State of Texas the Employees Retirement System of Texas, vesting the general administration and responsibility of the proper operation of said system in a state board of trustees to be known as the State Board of Trustees of the Employees Retirement System of Texas, authorizing said Board to invest assets of said system in various obligations and subjects of investment, subject to certain restrictions stated therein and such other restrictions as may hereafter be provided by law; providing that contributions of members and the state shall not exceed at any time six per centum (6%) of the compensation paid to each such person by the state; providing that such Amendment shall be self-enacting; providing for the necessary election, form of ballot, proclamation, and publication; and declaring legislative intent that the adoption of this Joint Resolution shall constitute repeal of Senate Joint Resolution No. 3, previously adopted by this the 60th Legislature, so that the proposition as set forth in this Resolution may be submitted to the voters of this state in lieu of the proposition contained in Senate Joint Resolution No. 3.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Subsection (a) of Section 62, Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read hereafter as follows:

"Section 62. (a) The Legislature shall have the authority to levy taxes to provide a State Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation Fund for the officers and employees of the state, and may make such reasonable inclusions, exclusions, or classifications of officers and em-